after the defeat of the resolution in the House, when he must know there is no possibility of passing any legislation in the declared, in view of this fact, that Mr. Hill threshing old straw. He also described Mr. Hill's declarations of bimetallism, and said that with two or three exceptions the democratic Senators who had taken the Secretary of the Treasury at his word, that the movement of the repeal of the Sherman law had been intended in the interest of bimetallism, those who had voted for repeal were the enemies and not the friends of silver. The present time was he declared, unpropitious for such a resolu tion, coming, as it does, on the very heels of the monstrous attacks which the President has made upor the currency and credit of the country in his bargain to sell our bonds abroad on such terms as he had made with the European bankers.

This action he proncunced the most disastrous assault upon the country's finan-cial system which had ever been made, "and the worst feature of the whole wretched business," he said, with growing earnestness, "is that the attack is made by the man who, because of his position,

### should have stood the foremost in our de-fense. Our nest has been befouled by the ·man who should have stood for our credit.' The Bond Contract Criticised.

Mr. Wolcott criticised the recent contract made for the sale of bonds in Europe, declaring that far better terms could have been secured in this country and among our own people. He asserted that the payment to the Rothschilds was to be made on an excessive basis, and followed this up with the declaration that the policy had apparently been adopted for the purpose of discrediting our finances, and he de-clared that the unfairness of the transaction had already been exposed. He did not believe that the bankers through whom the negotiations had been made would ever be called upon to advance more than 10 per cent of the amount of the bends sold on account of the advance in

Men Not Entitled to Consideration. He had been assured that in New York alone \$1.12 1-2 had been tendered for \$130,-000,000 worth of those bonds, and said he had the authority of one of the leading bankers in New York for the statement that within sixty days the whole issue would be worth \$1.20. "If." he said, speaking directly to the resolution and the desire expressed by it to uphold our national credit, "there were ever any men who were rot entitled to consideration it is the Rothschilds and the President, because they have sought to blacken our credit." He asserted that the resolution and the speech of Mr. Hill were in the same direction as all other efforts made to discredit silver, and then launched into a defense of the silver advocates, declaring they did not advocate this course because they were unpatrictic, or because of selfish purposes, but because they would relieve the suffering in the country, and they did not believe this was possible of accomplishment until the double standard should be reestablished. There could be no prosperous times with wheat at 50 cents a bushel. He referred to the proceedings in the German reichstag of yesterday concern-ing silver as an indication that there was

### ful and dishonorable dicker of the Presi-dent with the Rothschilds." Mr. Lodge's Criticism.

to be a change in the interest of silver.
"We are working toward it," he concluded,

"but if any act could serve to paralyze progress in that direction it is the disgrace-

Mr. Lodge (Mass.) said the substantial and important part of the resolutions was the last half of them, declaring the right of the bondholder to receive his pay in the best money. He would push all the other declarations of the resolution aside as immaterial and let this stand. He did not regard it as necessary to define the question as to who was the bimetallist, or to proneunce for the parity of all kinds of money, as the latter declaration was already to be found embodied in our statutes. The point was in neither of these directions, but in the sustenance of the credit of the country. He believed that the holder of a governthat were the hest and he believed that to be the position of the republican party. He agreed with Mr. Wolcott that the Presi-dent has assailed the credit of the country, but asserted that he had made the attacks by his assault upon our coin bonds. For on, because of this attack, he thought that Congress should declare itself without equivocation or reservation.

Reverting to the contract, he asserted that the profits allowed the European bank-ers were "enormous, gigantic." He char-He characterized the act as the blackest ever made by an administration in dealing with Amerrenders it more important that the country should make good its promises. It was not question of bimetallism or monometallism. but of the good name of the country. eredit had been impaired and attacked by those who should have defended it, and it, therefore, behooved Congress to come to

Mr. Hill replied to Mr. Wolcott in another plea for his resolution. In closing he declared himself an earnest bimetallist and

He was rejoiced to read an Associated forces. Press dispatch, just received from Berlin, announcing that action had been taken and Gen. Chang have also taken their own looking toward the rehabilitation of silver. lives for the same reason.

Mr. Teller's Denunciation

# In a speech in the nate this afternoon

Mr. Teller (Col.) arraigned the President in severe terms on account of the recent bond transaction. THE HOUSE.

In the House today the bill for the sale of isolated tracts of public land was reported from the Senate, with an amendment reducing the minimum price for the sale of lands from \$2.50 to \$1.25. Mr. Reed (Me.) inquired why the price had been fixed at \$2.50 an acre.

Mr. McRae (Ark.) said he was responsible for that, because he was trying to raise the minimum price of all public lands to \$2.50, but had failed to carry his point.

The Senate amendments were agreed to. The Senate amendment to the joint resolution suggesting arbitration for the settlement of boundary line disputes between Brittish Guiana and Venezuela was A bill was passed to place Warren C.

Beach on the retired list as a captain. The pension bills favorably reported from the committee of the whole at last night's session (twelve in number, including one to increase the pension of Major General Ju-lius H. Stahel, the Hungarian nobleman) were passed, after which the House went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the naval appropriation

# Mr. Washington's Position.

Mr. Washington (Tenn.) argued that it was bad policy for the American republic to attempt to construct and maintain an immense naval equipment.

Mr. Adams (Pa.) repreached Mr. Washington for his sentiments. He had never expected to hear them from the lips of a man bearing the name of Washington. The illustrious man whose name the gen tleman from Tennessee bore in his farewell address had warned those who wer to follow him to prepare for war in time

If the Monroe doctrine was to be served a navy was absolutely essential Mr. Bartlett (N. Y.), speaking for the metropolis, appealed to his democratic colleagues not to abandon the policy first advocated by William C. Whitney in 1885, when he was made Secretary of the Navy. He paid a high tribute to Mr. Whitney, and declared it would be a disgrace to re-fuse to continue the regeneration of the American navy, begun under democratic

## Mr. Milliken's Appeal.

Mr. Milliken (Me.) urged the House not to withhold the appropriation for the new navy, which was designed o maintain the dignity and glory of the republic. After some further debate in favor of the bill. Mr. Talbott, in charge of the measure, closed the general debate with a resume of the arguments adduced in support of the

The committee then rose. The Senate bill was passed granting two condemned cannon to the Iowa Historical Society at Des Moines; also granting to the Biloxi and Backbay Bridge Company the right to construct a bridge across Backbay, Miss. The Senate amendments to the post office appropriation bill were disagreed to and the bill sent to conference.

At 2 o'clock, under a special order, fur-ther business of the House was suspended

Mine Workers Express Confidence in McBride.

THE INVESTIGATION EXONERATES HIM

Mark Wild, His Accuser, Forced to Leave the Hall.

OFFICERS ARE VINDICATED

COLUMBUS, Ohio, February 16 .-- John the committee of fifteen, was reported to have been not guilty of the charges of corruption in connection with the Hocking Valley railroad strike. The committee's report said that Mark Wild, the railroad man who preferred the charges, is a demagogue and self-confessed corruptionist. Thereupon a resolution was adopted by the United Mine Workers' convention extending a vote of confidence to John McBride and ordering Mark Wild to leave the hall. Mr. Wild endeavored to obtain the floor, but the demonstrations against him were so pronounced that the presiding officer advised him to withdraw immediately, and he did so. Mr. Lewis, in making the report relative

to McBrice, said the committee believed he had been indiscreet in the handling of the money. The vote on the report was 122 to 4. The

vote on Wild leaving the hall was 226 to The convention then elected P. H. Penna of Indiana, president; Cameron Miller of Ohio, vice president, and re-elected Patrick McBride secretary and treasurer. These elections were a complete vindication of the men who acted on behalf of the miners in the settlement of the strike last summer.

## NOT SERIOUSLY REGARDED.

### Silver Men's Alleged Intention to Make Mexican Coins.

MEXICO CITY, Mex., February 16.-The general opinion is that the attempt of the free silver men of the United States to reach free coinage by the channel of Mexican coins is not worthy of serious consideration. It is doubtful if it could be successfully operative under any circumstances, but aside from this is the fact of which the free silver men seem to be ignorant, that the Mexican mints are no longer coming silver currency of the de-nominations named. The dies have been destroyed, and the quarter, eighth and sixteenths of a dollar have been withdrawn from circulation to such an extent that now the only piece of the old issue at all common is the peseta, or 25c. piece.

## JAPANESE IN POSSESSION.

## The Island in Wei-Hai-Wei Harbor

Gives Up. WEI-HAI-WEI, China, February 16 .- The Japanese forces are now in complete occupation of the Island of Liuh-Kung-Tao, in the bay here, the forts on which were the last to hold out against the victorious Japanese forces.

CHEFOO, February 16 .- All the foreigners who were serving with the Chinese forces at Wei-Hai-Wei, except the American, John Wilde, alias Howie, or Harvie, have been set free. Wilde is the man who ment bond should be able to ask for pay-ment in the best money, and in gold if at Kobe, aboard the French steamer Sydterpreter for the Chinese legation at Washington, and an Englishman named Cameron, on a charge of being engaged in a plot to destroy Japanese warships by the means of torpedoes. He and his two com-panions were released on taking oaths to do nothing to assist China during the

It is reported that Li Hung Chang, one of the new Chinese peace envoys, is on his way to Port Arthur, where he is to meet envoys appointed by Japan and arrange It is said here that Russia and England will offer to mediate a peace between China and Japan. A report is also in circulation here that the foreign representatives at Pekin are again apprehensive of trouble and have ordered guards to be brought up

from their respective war ships at Tien-Tsin for the protection of the legations. LONDON, February 16,-This afternoon's Pall Mall Gazette prints a dispatch from Chefoo repeating the statement that Ad-Ting, the Chinese naval commander hoped to see the destoration of silver suc- at Wei-Hai-Wei, has committed suicide on account of the reverses to the Chinese

The dispatch adds that Commodore Liu

## CALLED HIM A LIAR. Another Exciting Scene in the Ala-

bama Legislature. Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., February 16 .- At late hour last night Gov. Oates sent in a message vetoing the alien railroad bill. It was charged the bill was lobbied through the legislature by one in the interest of another corporation. The corporations interested were the Great Southern and the Queen and Crescent system, and would have placed the disputed control of the latter in the hands of the former. The veto message is a lengthy one, but the strong point in it is that the bill discriminates against alien owners of property contrary to the state constitution, When the veto message was received it

created intense excitement and a heated discussion arose. Representative O'Brien of Jefferson called populist member a liar. He retorted in kind and asked a meeting on the outside of the hall. Friends prevented further trouble. The veto message was sustained.

# BECAUSE HE WAS CHIDED.

Attempted Suicide of a School Boy. TROY, N. Y., February 16 .- Ernest Winters, ten years old, attempted suicide in the Parsons public school, Hoosac Falls. The boy was reprimanded by his teacher for disobedience and shut up in the cloak room. Some time after the teacher found the pupil suspended from a hook and unconscious Winters had buckled a skate strap round his neck and tucked a bitten between the strap and his neck to make the noose tight. Dillon, the teacher, released the boy and succeeded in reviving him.

# ROCK CREEK PARK.

### Beginning the Work of Assessing Benefits on Property.

Judge Cox having refused to restrain the Rock Creek Park commission from proceeding to assess the benefits accruing or supposed to have accrued to adjacent property because of the establishment and ington from Philadelphia, where he demaintenance of the park, the commission met at the city hall at 2 o'clock this afternoon for such purpose. Prof. S. P. Langley, Gen. H. V. Boynton and Mr. R. Ross Perry were the only members present, and, in the absence of Gen. Casey, Mr. Perry was made chairman pro tem. A number of owners of adjacent land were present, some represented by counsel. Mr. Hugh T. Taggart represented the government.

Calling the commission to order, Mr. Perry explained that the commission had determined to at once proceed to take testi-mony, and had invited the District board of assessors to be present, it being the commission's intention to first take their statements. But, said Mr. Perry, the commission was not empowered to administer oaths, nor had it power to subpoena wit nesses. Therefore, witnesses could only be requested or invited to attend and make their statements.

The Delaware Deadlock. DOVER, Del., February 16. Two ballots were taken in the United States senatorial ther business of the House was suspended fight today. They resulted as follows: fight today. They resulted as follows: to eulogies on the life and public service of the Senator Colquitt of Georgia.

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Senators Severely Criticise the Adminis-

Mr. Lodge Causes Something of a Sensation-Mr. Wolcott's Declarations.

The attack upon the administration on account of the bond contract, which was made in the Senate today, was much more direct than anything that was said in the House Thursday. Wolcott's direct statement that the President had attacked the credit of the country: that he had tried to blacken the credit of the country: that be had befouled our own nest, and that the McBride today, by the unanimous report of contract entered into privately was dishonest, went far beyond anything that was said in the House, as severe as was the criticism there of the administration.

> Mr. Lodge's Denunciation. Still more severe was the calmer denunciation indulged in by Mr. Lodge, who repeated the declaration that the recent sale of bonds below market price was an attack upon the national credit, and that the con-

tract made in secret was a disgrace. Additional severity was given to Mr. Lodge's criticism by the fact that he urged this alleged attack upon the national credit as a reason why Congress should at once come to the rescue by declaring that the government should meet its obligations in gold-that is, bonds and notes should all be payable in the best money there is. This speech coming from such a man as Lodge, and being delivered deliberately, evidently made a deep impression, as showing how far the disapproval of the method of the bond issue has gone.

That these denunciations of the President should be permitted to pass without any one rising to his defense was regarded as a remarkable indication of the spirit of the

### To Prevent the Bond Issue. Some speculation was excited by the dec-

laration by Mr. Wolcott that the bond contract would not be carried out. It is said that there is under contemplation an attempt to prevent the bonds contracted for being delivered.

To accomplish this by a resolution has been repeatedly suggested, but that is not practicable, as it would not be permitted come to a vote. Another proposition is that the assistance of the courts be invoked to restrain the Secretary of the Treasury from delivering the bonds at a rate below the market price. Upon what principle of law the application for an in-junction could be maintained is not dis-

# MORE SNOW PROMISED.

Unpleasant Prospect for This Evening's Weather. Snow is prophesied by the weather bu-

reau for the District of Columbia this afternoon, with indications that it will clear away and be fair by midnight. A fair day tomorrow is promised, with northeasterly, shifting to northwesterly, winds. The storm in southern Florida has moved to the middle Atlantic coast, increasing slightly in intensity. This is the storm which is coming. A second storm has developed to the north of Montana. The area of high pressure has moved from western Nebraska to Utah. Rain has fallen in Florida and snow in the middle gulf and south Atlantic states. The temperature has fallen in New England, the ower lake region and in Florida; it has nade a decided rise in the northwest and has remained nearly stationary elsewhere. Extremely cold weather continues in Texas, San Antonio reporting a minimum temperature of 16 degrees above, Abliene minus two, and Corpus Christi and Galveston 20 degrees above each, which are, respectively, 18 degrees, 17 degrees, 14 degrees and 8 degrees lower than the lowest temperature recorded at these stations in

## THE GARRAGE PROBLEM.

The Contractors Must Alter Thier Methods, Say the Commissioners. For some time past the health office of

the District has been deluged with complaints of non-collection of garbage. These have come from citizens in all parts of the city, and have recently become so numerous that the authorities realize that something must be done, and at once, knowing that if the matter was allowed to run along until warm weather it would become an actual menace to health.

The subject has been called to the attention of the Commissioners time and time again, and today they decided to take some definite action in the matter. Late this so obviously exposed to temptation. afternoon it developed at the District building that the Commissioners had had the matter under advisement, and had de-cided to urge stricter attention to business upon the contractors. Deputy Health Officer McLean was notified today to inform Mr. S. C. Bailey of the National San-itary Company that unless there was a marked improvement in the work of col-lecting garbage throughout the city without delay the District would annul the contract and would undertake the task itself. The new condition of affairs must go into effect next Monday, for the Commissioners are in earnest and will brook no delay or neglect.

# TWO FOR MURDER.

Indictments Returned and Arraignments Today.

Among those indicted persons arraigned today before Judge Cole were two alleged murderers, James L. Travers and Joseph A. Beam. Both plead not guilty, and the trial of the former was set down for the 11th of next month. Travers, a young colored man, cut the throat of Lena Gross, also colored, with whom he lived near Brightwood, last November. Beam shot his stepdaughter, Annie L. Leahy, on the 22d of last December. His trial will probably follow that of Travers, and it is under-stood that the defense in each case will be that of insanity.
Others arraigned today were John Brook-

it gs, Edward Smith, alias Davis, Wm. Ward and Frank Johnson, housebreaking, and Charles Brown, second offense of petit larceny. All plead not guilty. The charge perjury against Sarah Johnson was nelle prossed.

# A Preliminary Hearing.

Patrick Scully, the supposed tramp from Chicago who was arrested in Baltimore two days ago because he had in his possession a quantity of jewelry and silverware stolen from Kann & Sons' store on 7th street, as published in yesterday's Star, was given a preliminary hearing in the Police Court to-Judge Miller committed the prisoner to

jail to await the action of the grand jury, and fixed the bond at \$1,000. Secretary Herbert's Return. Secretary Herbert has returned to Washlivered an address last night at the ban-

of the Pennsylvania Scotch-Irish As-

### sociation. Fire at the Normandie.

This morning, about 11 o'clock, a local alarm of fire sent to police headquarters from the Normandie Hotel called out No. 1 engine company and the chemical engine. An overheated pipe connected with the kitchen range had set fire to the building near the rear stairway. The hotel employes went into service and prevented the spreading of the flames before the arrival of the firemen. When the firemen reached the scene they soon had the flames control and prevented what might have

### Marriage Licenses. Marriage licenses have been issued to the following: Willie Gordon and Mamie B. Turner; Poggioli Giovanni and Avanci Eba

C. Lios and F. Ira C. McMillan and Mary L. Fields. Range of the Thermometer. The following were the readings of the thermometer at the weather bureau today:

8 a.m., 26; 2 p.m., 32; maximum, 32; mini-

# LATE NEWS BY WIRE ATTACKING THE BOND ISSUE NEEDS ABOUT US

Today's Topic Before the White Ribboners.

# A SPIRITED DISCUSSION

Sketches of Some Noted Temperance Workers.

DEVOTED TO THE CAUSE

At 10 o'clock this morning the session of the grand convocation of White Ribboners was continued by a meeting in the Metropolitan Church for a discussion on the special needs of the W. C. T. U. in the national capital and how these needs are to be met. There were upwards of 200 women, present. "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" was sung, Mrs. S. M. Westcott, reasurer of the District W. C. T. U. leading at the organ. Mrs. Mary Haslup, president of the Maryland W. C. T. U., offered prayer. Mrs. Stevenson of Chicago presided and led the discussion of the morning's topic. Miss Weightman, corresponding secretary of the District organization, set forth the need of a home for the local organization, and urged the usefulness of a building for a headquarters for the W. C. T. U. of the District. She thought there was a grand opportunity for a center of temperance influence and work. A reading room, library and business headquarters would give the local work great advantage. For the messenger boy, who is specially liable to temptation, could safe way of living.

Mrs. Geo. H. La Fetra followed in a

spirited talk on the special need in the District of the most active and thorough temperance women to come in and join the united and determined effort. She described the field, the nature of the work done and the prospects before the local organization. Mrs. La Fetra, to whom as chairman of the committee on press and courte-sics great credit is due for the excellent working details of the present convocation, has for years been most active in District temperance work. She is a native of Ohio, the daughter of the Rev. Timothy Doan and Mary Ann Custis Doan, who de from the famous Virginia Custis family. She taught for sev-

eral years in the public schools of Lebanon, Ohio, and in 1867, having married Mr. George H. La Fetra, who held a place of intimate and close relation to James M. Harlan, then Secretary of the Interior, she came to Washington to live. Mrs. La Fetra was for eight years president of the W. C. T. U. of the District of

Columbia, and under her leadership the union grew to be a strong power. Mrs. La Fetra possesses rare executive ability. She was for years president of the Ladies' As-sociation of the Metropolitan M. E. Church, is now president of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of that church and president of the District of Columbia branch of the Loyal Women of American Liberty, and vice president of the national society. She is a practical business wo-man and a determined believer in woman

General Discussion. Mrs. Haslup of Maryland, Mrs. Barker of Ticago, Mrs. O'Neil, and Mrs. Haumer of Pennsylvania, Mrs. Griffith of Washing ton, and Mrs. Denman of New Jersey, took part in the general discussion of the needs of the District W. C. T. U. Mrs. Barker's speech was directed to the subject of legany previous year during the second de-cade of February.

speech was directed to the subject islation on the age of consent, a subject which had been alluded to as one of the questions of local distress.

She started a hearty cheer when she mentioned that women would raise the

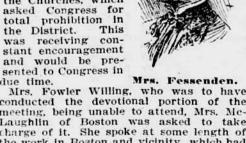
ower, as the women in the legislature of Colorado were now trying to do by making twenty-one the age of legal protection.

A vote of thanks to the press was passed on motion of three or four ladies all at once, the whole congregation expressing

### their approval by rising. Local Needs.

Miss Newman, who, though now living in the west, formerly resided in Washington, and for three years worked most actively in the temperance cause here, spoke at

Mrs. Clinton Smith told of the recent work in the District, with which she was actively acquainted in an official capac-ity. She said all the churches had now united in a petition-called the "Voice of the Churches,"which asked Congress for total prohibition in the District. This was receiving constant encouragement and would be pre-



conducted the devotional portion of the meeting, being unable to attend. Mrs. Mc-Laughlin of Boston was asked to take charge of it. She spoke at some length of the work in Boston and vicinity, which had the approval and attendance at meetings of Ralph Waldo Emerson, Bronson Alcott and Miss Louisa M. Alcott, who was for years secretary of the W. C. T. U. organization in Concord.

Mr. Percy Foster coming in, was asked

for a song, and as he sat down to the or-gan was given the Chautauqua salute, with a grand fluttering of handkerchiefs.

Miss Cassie Smith of New Jersey closed the meeting with a most earnest and elo quent prayer.

### Mrs. Stevenson. Among the notable women who have

taken part in the meeting this week in connection with the presentation of the polyglot temperance petition is Mrs. Katharine Lente Stevenson, the corresponding secretary of the National W. C. T. U. Mrs. thor of some repute



and for several years has been in charge of the literary department of the Woman's Temperance Publishing Association. She is a woman of charming personality and fine gift as a speaker. She is the daughter and granddaughter of Methodist ministers, and was born in Columbia county, Mrs. Stevenson. at nineteen from

Amenia Seminary, N. Y., and in 1881 from the School of Theology of Boston University, being the only woman in her class. She was associate pastor of the Methodist Church in Allston, a suburb of Boston, until the M. E. church, in its general conference, refused to recognize women as preachers. The following year she married Mr. James Stevenson, a merchant of Boston, and took up her residence in Newton. In 1891 she was elected corresponding secretary of the Massachusetts W. C. T. U., which position she held for two years, go ing, in 1833, to Chicago as editor of Books and Leaflets and contributing editor to the Union Signal. In October, 1894, at the last national convention, in Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Stevenson was elected corresponding secretary of the National Union, as the successor of Mrs. Mary A. Woodbridge, who died just before the annual meeting.

Conferences on Local Bills. Conferees have been appointed by the House and the Senate on the following local bills: To authorize the appointment of women as school trustees of the District, Senators Martin, Harris and Hoar, Representatives Heard and Aldrich; reorganizing the surveyor's office, Senators Proctor. Faulkner and Hansbrough, Representatives Cobb, Cooper of Indiana and Hull.

## A KNOWN QUANTITY. It is the practice of The Star to

print on Saturday a sworn statement of its circulation day by day for the preceding week. It would seem selfevident that the advertiser is entitled to this protection. Below will be found the statement for the week just

The average circulation exhibited is believed to be much more than the combined circulation of the other Washington dailies, and fully five times that of its afternoon contem-

Circulation of The "Evening Star."

SATURDAY, Feb. 9, 1895......39,494 MONDAY, Feb. 1I, 1895......33,786 TUESDAY, Feb. 12, 1895......34,118 WEDNESDAY, Feb. 13, 1895......33,843 FRIDAY, Feb. 15, 1895.......33,362 Total......208,187 Daily average......34,697 I solemnly swear that the above statement represents only the number of copies of THE EVEN-

ING STAR circulated during the six secular days ending Friday, February 15, 1895-that is, the number of copies actually sold, delivered, furnished or mailed, for valuable consideration, to bona fide purchasers or subscribers, and that none of the copies so counted were returned to or remain in the office unsold.

Cashier Evening Star Newspaper Co. Subscribed and sworn to before me this sixteenth day of February, A. D. 1895.

> Notary Public, D. C. URGED BY WOMEN.

J. WHIT. HERRON,

JAY B. SMITH,

Sewer Extension. The committee appointed by the meeting at the Washington Club last Monday to represent the women of Washington in the by the daily advices from Washington, the much-needed improved sewerage system, has addressed to every member of the Senate a personal letter, as follows:

"The imperative necessity for an increased and improved sewerage system for Washington, which is alike demanded by the increasing area and population and by the prevalence of diseases due to the defects in the present system, has resulted in a large meeting of the representative women of Washington, which appointed the undersigned committee and charged them with the duty of urging on you the necessity of immediate action by Congress n passing the bill for sewer extension before them. The committee presents the subject to your attention as one of grave necessity and importance, which should be acted on at once, as each day's delay only increases the existing dangers."

The letter is signed by Mrs. Archibald Hopkins, as chairman, and Mrs. J. C. S.

Blackburn, Mrs. Sweat, Mrs. J. Hubley Ashton, Mrs. F. B. Loring, Mrs. Chatard, Mrs. Ffoulke, Mrs. J. Y. Taylor, Mrs. Wm. Reyburn and Miss Kate Field, as members Arrangements have been made to secure he signatures of women to a petition to

# THE MEXICAN MISSION.

### Many Applicants for the Vacancy Made by Mr. Gray's Death.

the Capitol shows how strongly the pangs of hunger are already seizing held of the in'ards of those who feel themselves about to be deprived of the government proven- the property will, it is believed, be beneder. There is hardly a defeated democrat in Congress whose relations with Clevered in the face and look guilty if the death of Gray is mentioned in his presence. The candidates for the vacant mission are rushing to the front with matchless eagerness. Of course, every man whose name is mentioned is not actually seeking the place, and it will probably go to some one who has kept quiet about any ambition in that direction he might have. It is more apt to go to some such man as Wilson or Senator Butler of South Carolina than to any of the great number who are already

It is known positively that Mr. Cleve land contemplates doing something handsome for Mr. Springer of Illinois, whom h regards as one of the most useful men in public life, but it will probably be a judicial appointment that the Illinoisan will get. The Mexican mission is regarded as the most attractive of all the foreign missions to a man who does not possess inde-pendent means. The salary is as high as s paid in the service. It is paid in our own money, of course, and is convertible into about double the amount in Mexican mon-ey. The salary is, therefore, equivalent in Mexico to nearly thirty-five thousand a year.

# WIRE TAPPING CASE.

Next Board of Trade Meeting. The next meeting of the Washington

# FINANCE AND TRADE

Early London Reports Help Prices of Stocks.

## ACTION CONFINED TO PROFESSIONALS

The Vote in of the House the Topic in Wall Street.

## GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

NEW YORK, February 16.-The improved tone of the foreign market as indicated by early cables from London encouraged a corresponding buoyancy on this side, which found expression in advances varying from 1-2 to 3-4 per cent over closing figures. The evening up of traders' contracts was the only feature of the day's short session, opening prices in many instances being the highest for the day. There was no outside demand for stocks, the uncertainties of the speculative situation being entirely too aggravated to attract any but professional

In consequence of the narrowness, it is difficult to foreshadow the immediate outcome of speculative enterprises, but surface indications strongly favor a continuation of this week's purposeless transactions. The terms of the rew government loan and the refusal of Congress to interfere in lessening the rigors of the syndicate's contract, have been the absorbing topics of discussion during the week. The strength of the silver element in the lower house, as indicated by the completeness of the defeat of the proposed 3 per cent loan, prom-ises to furnish a basis for future uneasiness and apprehension in financial circles. The monotony of legislative disappoint-Congress Asked to Pass the Bill for ments shows no signs of interruption, and the adjournment of the Fifty-third Con-

present complex situation presents.

Outside of the adverse sentiment inspired movement to secure for the capital the question of dividends on certain of this week's active specialties has occasioned considerable doubt as to the ability of the properties in question to continue the customary disbursements, and has had an important influence on values. Northwest closes the week 41/2 per cent under Monday's initial sale, as the result of a probable curtailment in its dividend rate. Action on this subject is still several months in the future, but the dividend on

gress is the strongest bull argument the

the preferred stock should be announced during the present month, and some indication of the treatment likely to be accorded the common can then be had. National Lead common is also classed among the doubtful in this particular, the annual report for the year ending Decem-ber 31, showing a deficit after all charges of something over \$275,000. The recent heavy selling of this stock is directly attributable to the knowledge of this decreasing tendency in the matter of earnings.

The meeting of directors to act on the mat-

ter is regularly due toward the last of next

The next dividend on sugar has been publicly offered under the usual rate, but thus far no offers have been accepted. Manipulation is suggested strongly by the manner in which this last attempt to cause apprehension has been paraded in the

congress urging the proposed improveexamples of what motives are likely to influence prices after the legislative phase of the situation is disposed of. Chicago advices announced that progress was being made in the direction of installing the new management to the control of

The foregoing instances are prominent

in the trust. which the death of Minister Gray has 3-4 per cent and continued steady within caused among the democratic statesmen at fractional limits of the first sale. Rumors of possible proceedings against the new interests for contempt of court prevented any marked demonstration of approval of yesterday's action. The reorganization of

ficial to all interested. The statement in detail follows: Reserve land are at all friendly who does not get decreased \$252,800, loans decreased \$1,204,-red in the face and look will rife the decreased \$41,200, legals decreased \$41,600, deposits decreased \$2,520,-

### 000 and circulation increased \$136,400. Premium on American Bonds. NEW YORK, February 16.-The Evening

Post's special financial cablegram from London says the American loan is quoted at 2 per cent premium in London today The prospectus is expected late on Mon-

There was a sharp rise in silver stocks on telegrams from Berlin indicating a pos-

### sible monetary conference. FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The following are the opening, the highest and the lowest and the closing prices of the New York stock market today, as reported by Corson & Macartney, members New York stock exchange. Correspondents Messrs, Moore & Schley, No. 80 Broadway:

pendent means. The salary is as high as	Messrs. Moore & Sch	ney, r	10. 50	Broad	iway:
is paid in the service. It is paid in our own	Stocks.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
money, of course, and is convertible into	American Sugar	9138	92%	9136	9234
about double the amount in Mexican mon-	American Sugar Pfd				
ov The salary is therefore	American Tonacco	9136	92	9136	92
ey. The salary is, therefore, equivalent in	American Cotton Oil				
Mexico to nearly thirty-five thousand a	Atchison	436	436	416	
year.	Canada Southern	4816	483	48%	483
	Canada Pacific	20.78	-	20/2	407
William manner -	Charanacka and Ohio	161	1017	101	*****
WIRE TAPPING CASE.	Chesapeake and Ohio		1614	1614	164
<del></del>	C., C., C. and St. L	361	361	3614	361
Judge Cole Overrules the Objections	Chicago, B. and Q	70%	70%	70	70%
	Chic.and Northwestern.	9038	903	895%	90%
of the Defense.	Chicago Gas	73	7314	72%	727
Judgo Colo toden diamond of the hi	C., M. and St. Paul	55	55%	55	553
Judge Cole today disposed of the objec-	C., M. and St. Paul Pfd.	*****	****		
tions urged to the indictment against	Chic., R.I. and Pacific	6134	613	6134	61%
Palmer P. Babcock and Frederick J. Owens,	Del., Lack. and W	1581	1581	158%	1581
Tamer 1. Debeck and Frederick J. Owens,	Delaware and Hudson	1271	1274	127%	127%
who are charged with tapping the wires of	Den. and R. Grande Pfd	85%	85%	35%	3516
the Western Union Telegraph Company	Dis.and Cattle Feeding.	834	87%	834	876
the trestern emon relegraph company	General Electric	28%	28 1	901	DOM:
last fall. The technical charge against	Illinois Central	2078	2074	283 8	2834
the accused is conspiracy, and their coun-	Lake Chem	1071	10711	*****	*****
and manual to assert the total	Lake Shore	13714	13736	13714	13736
sel moved to quash the indictment on the	Erie	976	978	978	97/8
ground that it does not charge or describe	Louisville and Nashville	52%	52%	523	52%
ony offense indictable has a lit	Long Island Traction	9	9	834	814
any offense indictable here, and because it	Metropolitan Traction	9734	9714	97	97
does not charge any conspiracy, counsel	Manhattan Elevated	1073	10734	106%	107
for the defendants explaining in	Michigan Central				
for the defendants explaining in connection	Missouri Pacific	21	21	21	21
with the second objection that the wires	National Lead Co	281	2814	2634	2734
alleged to have been tapped were conveying	U. S. Cordage Co		1110000 10100		
aneged to have been tapped were conveying	U. S. Cordage Co. Pfd		*****	•••••	•••••
racing odds and other like information,	New Jersey Central	8(1/	0117	0017	cont
and, bookmaking being unlawful here, the	New York Central	84%	843	8214	8334
alleged conspiracy was not, therefore,	N V and N E Com	000			
against any lawful right of the company.	N. Y. and N. E. Cfs	29%	8014	29%	30
Referring to the alleged unlawful bus-	N. Y., C. and St. Louis.	• • • • •			*****
Referring to the aneged unlawful bus-	Northern Pacific				
iness of the telegraph company and to the	Northern Pacific Pfd	*****			
contention of the defendants that no lawful	North American	358	3%	3%	35%
right of the company was violated, Judge	Ont. and Western	16%	16%	16%	16%
Cole held that there was nothing in it.	Pacific Mail	22	221	22	221
The fact that racing messages may have	Pana. and Reading	934	976	9%	936
been sent did not mend matters; the fact	Pullman Pal. Car Co	154	154	154	154
nemeined that it man a semmental	Southern Railway				101
remained that it was a commercial wire.	Phila. Traction	88	8814	88	88
If the wires of the company had been	Texas Pacific		oo a	00	00
tapped by officers of the law to prevent and	Tenn. Coal and Iron	101/	100	*****	*****
punish an unlawful thing, Judge Cole inti-	Union Pasida	13%	13%	18%	1334
mated, it would be another and perhaps a	Union Pacific	9%	9%	9%	95
different case. The objections to the in-	Wabash		****		
distment he said more not my	Wabash Pfd. Wheeling and L. Erie	12%	12%	12%	12%
dictment, he said, were not well taken, and	wheeling and L. Erie	914	914	934	9%
the motion to quash would, therefore, be	wheeling and L. E. Pfd.	37	87	37	87
overruled.	Western Union Tel	87	8734	87	87%
	Wisconsin Central			****	
Next Board of Trade Mostler	Silver				

# Washington Stock Exchange.

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The next meeting of the Washington specially of trade will be held Wednesday evening of next week. The topic for consideration will be: "Our Water Supply—What the City Needs." The meeting will be in charge of the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the incharge of the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the incharge of the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delive, the importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delived to the committee on this subject, which is of so much importance to the committee on water supply. Interesting addresses will be delived to the committee on this subject, the importance of the committee on the subject of the committee on the subject of the committee of

275 bid, 285 asked. Metropolitan, 75 asked. Columbia, 65 bid, 70 asked. Belt, 30 asked. Eckington, 30 bid. Georgetown and Tennallytown, 30 asked. imton, 30 bid. Georgetown and Tennallytown, 30 asked.
Gas and Electric Light Stocks.—Washington Gas, 50 bid, 50½ asked. Georgetown Gas, 50 bid. U. S. Electric Light, 131¼ bid, 132¼ asked.
Insurance Stocks.—Firemen's, 35 bid. Franklin, 45 bid, 55 asked. Metrepolitan, 70 bid. Corcoran, 57 bid. Fotomac, Cg bid. Arlington, 153 bid. 160 asked. German-American, 163 bid. National Union, 12 bid, 13 asked: Columbia, 13 bid, 15½ asked. Riggs, 7½ bid, 7½ asked. People's, 5½ bid, 5½ asked. Lincon, 8 bid, 8¼ asked.
Title Insurance Stocks.—Real Estate Title, 108 bid, 116 asked. Columbia Title, 7 bid, 8 asked. District Title, 10 bid, 14 asked.
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Telephone Stocks.—Pennsylvania, 35 bid. Chesapeake and Potomac, 55½ bid, 57 asked. American Graphophone, 4½ bid, 5 asked, Pneumatic Gun Carriage, 23 bid, 33 asked.
Miscellaneous Stocks.—Washington Market, 15 bid. Great Falls Ice, 130 bid. Bull Run Panorama, 12 bid, 20 asked. Lincoln Hall, 87 bid. Inter-Ocean Building, 90 asked. Mergenthaler Linotype, 150 bid.

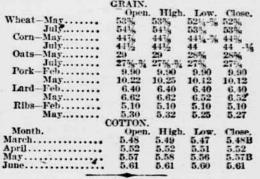
### Baltimore Markets.

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Baltimore, February 16.—Flour dull, unchanged—receipts, 5,173 barrels; shipments, 191 barrels; sales, 150 barrels. Wheat weak—spot and month, 56½a56½; March, 56½a57; May, 58a58½; steamer No. 2 red. 53½a53¾—receipts, 9,895 bushels; shipments, 45,000 bushels; stock, 731,193 bushels; southern wheat by sample; 56x58; do. on grade, 54½a57¼. Corn easy—spot and month, 46¾a46½; May, 47¾a48; steamer mixed, 46¼ bid—receipts, 3,958 bushels; shipments, 25,714 bushels; southern white corn, 48a49; do, yellow, 48a49, Oats quiet, very steady—No. 2 white western, 35½a 36½; No. 2 mixed, 34a34½—receipts, 3,958 bushels; shipments, 25,714 bushels; stock, 32,031 bushels. Hay firm—good to choice timothy, \$13.50a814.90. Grain freights quiet, demand light, unchanged. Sugar quiet, unchanged. Butter and eggs steady, unchanged. Cheese firm, unchanged.

GRAIN.



## GIFT TO MISS ANTHONY.

### A Handsome Annuity the Gift of Her Sisters in Suffrage Work.

comed Miss Susan B. Anthony, the "beloved leader," the "dear apostle," the 'great general" of the woman suffrage movement. The banquet tables were spread in a pri-

Anna Shaw was the first speaker, a followed by Mrs. Ketcham of Michigan, Mrs. Taylor of Utah, Mrs. Mary S. Lockwood of the District, Mrs. John Davis of Kansas, Mrs. Ruth G. D. Havens and Mrs. Jennette M. Bradley of Connecticut, Mrs. Emeline Wells of Utah, Mrs. Annie Digges of Kansas, Miss Emily Howland of New York, Mrs. May W. Sewell of In-

The great event of the day followed in Mrs. Avery's speech, in which she told "Aunt Susan" of the effort inaugurated six months ago, which now culminated in the gift to Miss Anthony of an annuity for life of \$800 a year and free rental of her

life, fell victim to a feminine attack of "stage fright." She who had faced every sort of audience, and had braved ridicule and missiles and bullets, serene, unflinching and unfearing, was speechless when she was called upon for the closing remarks. Mrs. Avery, with great tact, rose and made another speech in order to give Miss Anthony time to gather her thoughts about the general subject under considera-tion. Yet when Miss Anthony rose she halted with "Now, girls, I don't know what But then she forgot herself and talked eloquently of the labors of Eliza-beth Cady Stanton, claiming to have been only "the hands" for the great brain of her leader, and asking that Mrs. Stanton's eightieth birthday be fittingly celebrated. And so, with thoughts of the absent pioneer, the "Susan dinner" ended. Besides the ladies mentioned, there were present Mrs. Henrietta Banker of Brooklyn, Miss Eliza Titus Ward, Mrs. Osborne of Chicago, Miss Nikolas Shaw, Mrs. Ann Purvis, Mrs. Alice M. Goodwin, Mrs. Martha P.

## Williams, Miss Lucy Anthony, Mrs. E. F. DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

bonds should not be authorized. The description of the route referred to, they say, should be as follows: From the intersection of Monroe and Harrison streets, Anacostia, along Harrison street, Good Hope road, and such further route to and toward the District line as may be approved by the District Commissioners, and returning over the same route to the point

The Commissioners this morning received House bill 8853, which provides for general transfer arrangements of all of the roads of the city by amending the charters of the Washington and Georgetown and the Metropolitan Railroad companies, whereby the corporations are required to arrange transfers with all other roads that cross, connect or unite with theirs. According to the bill the arrangement must be completed within two months of the passage of the act. Transfers issued by other reads than the Washington and George-town and the Metropolitan are redeemed by the issuing company at 1 cent each, but where the Washington and Georgetown or the Metropolitan road gives transfers they are to be redeemed at 4 cents each. The only exception to this rule is where the bill provides for the transfer with the belt roads of the city, and there the division is equal, each road receiving 21-2 cents. The

\$500,000 worth of real estate in the District,

Grain and Cotton Markets. Cotton and grain markets, reported by W. B. Hibbs, 1421 F st., representing Hubbard, Price & Co., New York.

One of the most notable events of this woman month took place yesterday at the Ebbitt House, where a cheerful gathering of forty-five representative women wel-

vate dining room, and decorated with roses. At each plate was a knot of yellow ribbon-the emblem of suffrage. At the head of the table sat. Miss Anthony, with Rev. Anna Shaw at her right and Mrs. Ketcham of Michigan on her left; and at the foot, Mrs. May W. Sewell, president of the National Council, and Rachel Foster Avery, "self-constituted master of ceremonies," and a master in very truth.

After justice to the dinner, amid animated conversation, Mrs. Avery called for speeches, all of which were impromptu, and made cumulative evidence of the readiness of women as after-dinner orators. Rev.

diana, Mrs. Gray of California, Miss Yates of Maine, Miss Emma M. Gillett of Pennthe individual companies formerly included in the trust.

The stock opened strong at an advance of faithful and loving work for women.

> Miss Anthony, for the first time in her Vincent, Mrs. Mary Phelps, Miss Katherine Garst, the Misses Brill, Miss Cock, Miss Low, Miss Cora B. Thomas, Miss Mary H.

Their Idea. The Commissioners today returned to Chairman Heard House bill 8714, "To incorporate the Capital Railway Company," with the report that they would prefer that the second part of the route should be more definitely stated, and that an issue of

of beginning.

# The Transfer Bill.

transfers are redeemable by the issuing companies once every month.